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SUBJ: U.S. CONTRIBUTION CY 1976 ICRC BUDGET

REF: (A) STATE 217437; (B) GENEVA 6847

1. MISSION HAS COMMUNICATED TO ICRC REP (MARTI) INFORMATION CONVEYED IN REFTEL CONCERNING USG CONTRIBUTION TO ICRC'S CY 1976 BUDGET. WORDS QUOTED IN PARA 1, REF A, WERE ALSO QUOTED PER DEPTTEL 179224 IN MISSION'S LETTER FORWARDING CONTRIBUTION TO GALLOPIN.

2. CONFUSION WAS CAUSED BY MARTI'S UNDERSTANDING, BASED ON SIEVERTS' LETTER OF FEBRUARY 27, 1975, TO MICHEL, THAT ANNUAL USG CONTRIBUTION TO ICRC BUDGET WOULD BE \$500,000, ALTHOUGH STATEMENT HEDGED WITH USUAL CAVAET ON CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS, AND BY MISSION'S LACK OF INFORMATION THAT 12-1/2 PERCENT CUT WAS BEING APPLIED TO THIS CONTRIBUTION. SINCE REF A REFERS TO CUT AS "ICRC'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE" IT IS ASSUMED THAT OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS ARE OR MAY BE SIMILARLY REDUCED. TO AVOID ANY FUTURE MISUNDERSTANDING OR POSSIBLE EMBARRASSMENT TO MISSION AND FUND RECIPIENTS HERE, WOULD APPRECIATE IDENTIFICATION OF ANY OTHER EXPECTED CONTRIBUTIONS WITH WHICH MISSION DEALS THAT ARE TARGETED FOR REDUCTION, SUCH AS THOSE TO UNHCR, ICEM, AND VOLAGS, IN ADDITION TO ICRC.

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3. AS DEPT PROBABLY AWARE, MARTI PLANS TO VISIT D/HA DURING

FORTHCOMING FUND-RAISING TRIP TO US, DURING WHICH THIS SUBJECT
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